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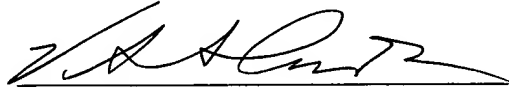
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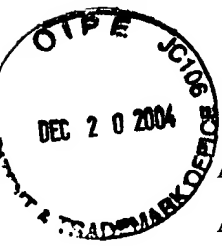
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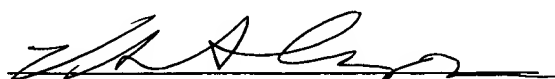
Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that not all the claims include the limitations mentioned by the Examiner. Also, to the extent that there is any implication that the patentability of the claims rests on the recitation of a single feature, Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement because it is the combination of features that makes the claims patentable.

Respectfully submitted,

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